

<b>Statement of Deficiencies</b>	<b>(X1) Provider/Supplier/CLIA Identification Number</b>  21D2234619	<b>(X3) Date Survey Completed</b>  10/02/2024
<b>Name of Provider or Supplier</b>  Kaiser Permanente Gaithersburg Orthopedics Lab	<b>Street Address, City, State</b>  655 Watkins Mill Rd, Gaithersburg, MD	
For information on the provider's plan to correct this deficiency, please contact the provider or the state survey agency.		

<b>(X4) ID Prefix Tag</b>	<b>Summary Statement of Deficiencies</b>
<b>D3011</b>	<p>FACILITIES CFR(s): 493.1101(d)</p> <p>Safety procedures must be established, accessible, and observed to ensure protection from physical, chemical, biochemical, and electrical hazards, and biohazardous materials.</p> <p>This STANDARD is not met as evidenced by: Based on observation of the testing area and interview with the testing personnel (TP) and technical consultant (TC), the laboratory did not ensure the safety of the laboratory staff while performing testing. Findings: 1. According to the TP, testing was being performed at their work desk in the office area. The work desk within 3 feet of the TP had an open coffee mug and another desk was eight feet away and had a covered drinking container with a straw. 2. The Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) (<a href="http://www.osha.gov">www.osha.gov</a>) regulation 29 CFR 1910.1030 Bloodborne pathogens (d)(2)(ix) states "Eating, drinking, smoking, applying cosmetics or lip balm, and handling contact lenses are prohibited in work areas where there is a reasonable likelihood of occupational exposure." 3. Good laboratory practices state that there should be no eating, drinking or application of cosmetics in the laboratory. Testing involving blood or other potentially infectious materials shall be performed in such a manner as to minimize splashing, spraying, spattering, and generation of droplets of these substances. 4. During the survey on 10/02/2024 at 10:50 AM, the TC confirmed that the testing of synovial fluid was being performed at the workdesks of the TP and not in a designated area safe from potential hazards.</p>